

Community Sponsorship Grants 2026-2029

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Program

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Applicants: please note

The Community Sponsorship program enables the Rural City of Wangaratta to partner with community organisations to deliver multi-year programs.

Funding of **\$1,000 to \$10,000 per year** is available for up to **three years**, concluding with the development of the next Council Plan. Applicants may request a shorter sponsorship term or phased funding across the period. Supporting projects and programs that: Align with objectives from the [Council Plan 2025-2029](#)

We want our community to feel connected, inspired and treated with respect. To have access to programs, services and infrastructure that help us lead fulfilled and healthy lives.

Objectives:

All applications must demonstrate alignment with **one or more** Council Plan objectives. A strong, well-evidenced alignment to one objective is considered equally as competitive as an application which shows weaker evidence across multiple objectives.

- **Provide access to services and programs that enable people to live healthy, active, and inspired lives**
- **People feel connected and included in the community**
- **Ensure services and spaces are safe, accessible, inclusive and welcoming to everyone in our community**

This section of the application form is designed to help you, and us, understand if you qualify for this grant.

- Before completing this application form, please read the [Community Funding Program Guidelines](#)
- Please read the [Council Plan 2025-2029](#)
- Closing date for applications: **Monday 13 July at 3pm**
- Incomplete applications and applications received after the closing date will not be accepted
- Applications must only be for projects between **31 September 2026 and 30 September 2029**

For assistance or eligibility criteria contact: Rural City of Wangaratta, Community & Recreation team | Communitygrants@wangaratta.vic.gov.au | 03 5722 0888

If you contact us throughout the application process, please quote the application number below:

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Application Number

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Tips for your application

Keep your answers concise and within the word limitThe Community Grants Program receives many applications, so keep responses clear, focused, and to the point to ensure key information is not overlooked. Draft answers in a separate document to track word counts. For hard copy applications, refine responses in advance to meet the word limit before completing the form.

Be specific about your project and its impactClearly explain your project, its purpose, key activities, and expected outcomes. Highlight the long-term impact and be specific about how the funding will be used to show it will be spent effectively.

Save a copy of your applicationKeep a backup of your submission for future reference and in case of technical issues.

Include all relevant informationInclude all essential details within the application form, as assessors may not review external links or attachments. Ensure your answers are complete, clear, and within the word limit.

Write persuasively and clearlyExplain who you are, the need for funding, and why your project matters. Use a clear, confident tone to show the impact of your work and the value of the grant.

Seek feedback before submittingHave someone review your application to improve clarity, check for gaps or repetition, and correct errors.

Review all guidelines thoroughlyCheck all requirements before submitting to ensure your application meets the criteria.

Review all available information

Confirmation of Eligibility

I confirm that as the applicant ...

I have read and understand the Community Funding Guidelines for the Sponsorship Grants Program for applicants.

To apply, organisations must:

- I have read and understands the Community Grants Program guidelines for applicants
- Be a not-for-profit organisation, as defined by the ATO, and is not an individual.

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- Be incorporated or be auspiced by an incorporated organisation for the purposes of this application.
- Hold a bank account in the organisation or auspice name and demonstrate financial viability.
- Hold \$20M public liability insurance.
- Have no outstanding acquittals or other debts with Council.
- Is in (and/or supplies services to) **The Rural City of Wangaratta.**
- Comply with relevant legislation (equal opportunity, freedom of information, privacy, accounting standards, etc.).
- Submit a complete application with quotes, evidence of costs and supporting documents. *Failure to provide these required documents will result in the application being deemed ineligible.*
- Demonstrate ability to complete the project within required timeframes.
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I/we confirm that all statements above are true and correct *

Yes

No

You must confirm that all statements above are true and correct.

Contact Details

* indicates a required field

Privacy Notice

We pledge to respect and uphold your rights to privacy protection under the [Australian Privacy Principles](#) (APPs) as established under the *Privacy Act 1988* and amended by the *Privacy Amendment (Enhancing Privacy Protection) Act 2012*. To view our privacy statement, go to [Privacy Statement Rural City of Wangaratta](#)

Organisation Details

Organisation Name *

Organisation Name

For organisations: please use the organisation's full name. Make sure you provide the same name that is listed in official documentation such as that with the ABR, ACNC or ATO.

Applicant Contact Name *

Position Held *

Organisation Address

Address

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Phone Number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

Primary Email Address *

Must be an email address.

Website

Must be a URL.

Alternative Contact Details

* Note an alternate contact is required in case we need to contact another person from your Club or Organisation

Contact Details *

Title First Name Last Name

This is the person we will correspond with about this grant.

Position *

e.g., Manager, Board Member or Fundraising Coordinator.

Phone Number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

Email Address *

This is the address we will use to correspond with you about this grant.

Organisation Details

Does your organisation have an ABN? *

Yes

No

Organisation ABN *

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The ABN provided will be used to look up the following information. Click Lookup above to check that you have entered the ABN correctly.

Information from the Australian Business Register	
ABN	
Entity Name	
ABN Status	
Entity Type	
Goods & Services Tax (GST)	
DGR Endorsed	
ATO Charity Type	More information
ACNC Registration	
Tax Concessions	
Main Business Location	

Auspice Information

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For groups that DO NOT hold an ABN. You will need to fill in the following

Is your organisation auspiced by another organisation for the purpose of this grant? *

Yes No

Unincorporated organisations applying for a grant must be auspiced by an incorporated organisation. If you do not have an auspice you should not apply for this grant. For example, Scouts would use Scouts Victoria's ABN.

Auspice Organisation Details

What is auspicing?

What is an auspicing arrangement? Auspicing is when a legally incorporated organisation (the *auspicator*) takes responsibility for a project on behalf of a group or individual that is not incorporated or doesn't have its own legal or financial infrastructure. The auspicing organisation manages the grant funds and ensures the project is delivered according to the funding agreement.

Who can be an auspice organisation? An auspicing organisation might be:

- A local Council (for example, Rural City of Wangaratta may auspice a grassroots community event)
- A parent organisation (such as a state-level sporting body auspicing a local club project)
- A not-for-profit organisation with the capacity to support the administration of the project

Auspice organisation name *

Organisation Name

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Please use the organisation's full name. Make sure you provide the same name that is listed in official documentation such as that with the ABR, ACNC or ATO.

What is your auspice organisations ABN? *

Auspice address

Address

Auspice postal address if different from above

Address

Auspice office phone number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

Auspice email address *

Must be an email address.

Auspice website

Must be a URL.

Primary contact person at auspice organisation *

Title First Name Last Name

We may contact this person to verify that the auspice arrangement is valid and current.

Position held in organisation *

e.g., Manager, Board Member or Fundraising Coordinator.

Auspice primary contact phone number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

Auspice contact email address *

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Must be an email address

Please attach a letter from the auspice organisation confirming that the auspice arrangement is valid and current. *

Attach a file:

The letter must be signed by an authorised person (e.g., Manager, CEO or Board Chair) and must include: name, position, signature and date.

Project Details

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Project

Project Name: *

Provide a name for your project/program/initiative. Your title should be short but descriptive

Community Impact and Engagement 30% score

Community Group/Organisation description. (Dot point) What are your activities/ events? How many members do you have? What area do you cover? *

Word count:

Must be no more than 50 words.

Project description *

Word count:

Must be no more than 30 words.

If we were promoting your project online, what would we say to sell it? Be clear and concise.

How does this project meet a need in the community? *

Word count:

Must be no more than 100 words.

What are you wanting to achieve in your community?

How will you measure the impact/success of this project? *

Word count:

Must be no more than 100 words.

Consider both quantitative measures (number of attendees) and qualitative measures (surveys, feedback)

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Does this initiative have community support? Provide evidence community supports this project/program? What kind of engagement has taken place to determine the support/need for this project? *

Word count:

Must be no more than 60 words.

Letters of support emails or minutes of meeting can be attached in the budget section of this application.

Delivery and Sustainability 30% score

Identify Stakeholders: Determine who has an interest in the project and who will be affected by it. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 60 words.

How will your project be delivered? Do you have capacity within your organisation or will you engage external resources?

Please outline the steps: What tasks are needed to achieve this project? What is your project plan? *

Word count:

Must be no more than 100 words.

Manage Risks: Identify potential risks and develop strategies to mitigate or avoid them. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 100 words.

Explain how your project will be sustainable. Sustainability has three main pillars: economic, environmental and social. How will this project be sustainable into the future? How will it contribute to your organisation's sustainability? *

Word count:

Must be no more than 150 words.

Longer term will this project provide savings for your organisation, increase the capacity of your group, or provide a long term environmental change?

How does your project support equity and inclusion within the community, and what impact will it have on people of different genders, backgrounds or abilities?

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Please describe what these impacts will look like and how you will address any barriers or challenges. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 100 words.

Objectives & Benefit to the Community 40% score

Applicants are encouraged to review the [2025-2029 Council Plan](#) prior to applying.

All applications must demonstrate alignment with **one or more** Council Plan objectives. A strong, well-evidenced alignment to one objective is considered equally as competitive as an application which shows weaker evidence across multiple objectives.

Alignment - Does your initiative help achieve council strategies and actions? Community Sponsorship Grant funded projects should align with the Council Plan 2025 - 2029. Please indicate which objectives your projects will help to achieve. *

- Support access to programs and services that help people live healthy, active and inspired lives.
- Strengthen community resilience and connection.
- Creating services and spaces that are safe, accessible, inclusive & welcoming.
- Other:

At least 1 choice must be selected.

Detail how the program, project or event delivers a benefit for the community, on outcomes in the Council Plan (2025-2029) with specific reference to the strategies and actions in the Plan. Describe how your project aligns to the objective(s) above? *

Word count:

Must be no more than 150 words.

Time Frame

When will your project start and what is the expected completion date?

Anticipated start date *

Anticipated end date *

If unknown, provide your best guess or leave blank If unknown, provide your best guess or leave blank

Budget

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How much funding are you applying for?

The Community Sponsorship Grants Program is a competitive program providing funding up to \$10,000 to not-for-profit community organisations.

Total Amount Requested

\$

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What is the total financial support you are requesting in this application?

Total Project/Program Cost *

\$

What is the total budgeted cost (dollars) of your project?

Budget (GST exclusive)

Please outline your project budget in the tables below, include details of other funding that you have applied for, whether it has been confirmed or not. All amounts should be GST exclusive. **Please refer to the budget section in the [Community Funding Program Guidelines for Applicants](#)**

Provide clear descriptions for each budget item:

- Examples of income could include - council funding, club contribution, company sponsorship
- Examples of expenses could include - power/water for 6 months, office supplies, volunteer labour \$25 per hr, skilled labour \$50 per hr

Use the 'Notes' column for any additional information.

***Please provide quotes for expense items over \$200 in the upload section**

Your budget **MUST** balance (TOTAL INCOME AMOUNT = TOTAL EXPENDITURE AMOUNT).

Income Description	Income Type	Confirmed Funding	Income Amount (\$)	Notes
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			\$	
			\$	
			\$	
			\$	
			\$	

Expenditure Description	Expenditure Type	Expenditure Amount (\$)	Notes
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		\$	
		\$	

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		\$	
		\$	

Budget Totals

Total Income Amount

\$

This number/amount is calculated.

Total Expenditure Amount

\$

This number/amount is calculated.

Income - Expenditure

This number/amount is calculated.

Supporting Documents

Please attach a copy of the supporting documents, documents that will help explain your project: E.g. Include Project plan, building plans, strategic plans, maps, diagrams, pictures, quotes letters of support. Please upload in Word or PDF. Please ensure your documents has no symbols in the title name.

Quotes for items over \$200

Attach a file:

Letters of Support

Attach a file:

Other Supporting documents, Photos of previous project, Project Outlines or Project Plan *

Attach a file:

Website for supporting information

Must be a URL.

Note: Not all projects are funded for the full requested amount. Consider what your project might look like if you received less funding.

Have you discussed this project with a council officer

Yes No

Please provide the Council officers name.

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If your project were funded for a smaller amount, would you still be able to deliver this project? *

Yes No Unsure

What is the most essential element of your project? What changes would you make to achieve your project? *

Word count:

Must be no more than 100 words.

Are you using local suppliers for this project? *

Yes No Unsure

Refers to North East Victoria suppliers

If not explain why?

Word count:

Must be no more than 30 words.

Certification

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Certification

This section must be completed by an appropriately authorised person on behalf of the applicant organisation (may be different to the contact person listed earlier in this application form).

I certify that to the best of my knowledge the statements made within this application are true and correct, and I understand that if the applicant organisation is approved for this grant, we will be required to accept the terms and conditions of the grant as outlined in the letter of approval.

I agree *

Yes

No

Name of authorised person *

Title

First Name

Last Name

Must be a senior staff member, board member or appropriately authorised volunteer

Date *

Must be a date

This question will not impact your grant application score, but will help us understand our community organisation better.

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Does your organisation receive sponsorship, funding or other support from? *

- Venues/organisations with electronic gaming machines (eg. Wangaratta RSL, Wangaratta Club, Old Town N Country Tavern, Pinsent Hotel)
- Other gambling venues/organisations (eg. Wangaratta Turf Club)
- Fast food restaurants
- None

Tick all that apply